least one of the transmitter station and the receiver station includes optical reflector elements, classified in class 398, subclass 130.

In response to the Restriction Requirement set forth in the Office Action, Applicants, with traverse, elect for prosecution in this application all claims belonging to Group I, i.e., Claims 1-13.

Reconsideration of the restriction requirement imposed under 35 U.S.C. § 121 is respectfully requested. The restriction requirement is traversed because the inventions set out by the claims in Groups I, II, and III are clearly related. Applicants submit that a thorough search and examination of any claim group would be relevant to the examination of the other group and would not be a serious burden on the Examiner. For at least the reasons set forth above, Applicants respectfully request that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing remarks, all the claims now pending in this application are believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and favorable action with respect to all the pending claims is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submit

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